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A Look at Media Bias

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Newsbusters Study: The Liberal Media's Summer of Pummeling Trump

The broadcast network evening newscasts remain as hostile as ever towards President Trump and his agenda. The Media Research Center reviewed every mention of President Trump and top administration officials on ABC, CBS, and NBC's nightly news shows from June through August and found that **coverage was 91% negative**. In the first three months of his presidency, coverage was 89% negative.

Seniors: 99% Say Media Wants Trump to Fail

From *The Washington Examiner*...

A Survey Monkey Poll "of over 65,000 seniors has found that virtually all -- 99.2 percent -- believe **the media wants President Trump to fail**, the latest condemnation of the President's coverage."

Network Blackout on 3% Economic Growth

From *The Daily Caller*...

"The U.S. government estimated that the economy grew at an annual rate of 3 percent last quarter, but you wouldn't know if you watched ABC, CBS, or NBC's evening programs. The 3 percent figure was much higher than the 2.7 percent rate expected, and was the first time the GDP growth rate hit 3 percent in over two years." **Broadcast networks chose to ignore the story.**

NYT Does Not Mention Embattled Senator is a Democrat

From *The Hill*...

The New York Times published a lengthy 1,288 word story on Senator Bob Menendez's (D-N.J.) corruption trial but "**didn't mention that [he] was a Democrat at any point throughout the piece**. The article was updated later Tuesday morning to include Menendez's affiliation in the fourth paragraph after a backlash on Twitter."

One Minute: The National Media Has Lost Our Trust

From *Congressman Lamar Smith*...

"The American people have lost faith in the liberal national media and we know why: they tell the American people what to think rather than report the facts in an unbiased manner. A new NBC Marist Poll (from July) revealed that **two-thirds of Americans trust the media "not very much" or "not at all"**... And a Quinnipiac poll shows that an astounding 55 percent of Americans disapprove of the way the news media covers President Trump."